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#### **ABSTRACT**

Fish using the three fishways at Rock Island Dam in 1964 were counted from May 1 to October 24. The total number of salmon and steelhead trout exceeded the 1963 count by 7.885 fish.

The 1964 count of 39,951 chinook salmon was more than twice the mean of 17,355 for the 31-year period 1933-63 and exceeded the 1963 count by 5,263 fish. The 69,411 sockeye salmon counted was 4,643 more than recorded in 1963 and exceeded the 31-year mean of 51,603. The 61 coho salmon counted was about 75 percent of the 31-year mean of 81 and 8 percent of the record count of 737 in 1962. The 5,016 steelhead trout count in 1964 was well above the 31-year mean of 3,457 and 2,062 less than in 1963. Fish other than salmon and steelhead trout passing through the fishways at Rock Island Dam in 1964 numbered 118,284 and exceeded the count of salmon and steelhead trout by 3,845 fish.

Of the 114,439 salmon and steelhead trout observed at Rock Island Dam in 1964, about 2 percent had visible evidence of injury about the head or body.

#### INTRODUCTION

Rock Island Dam, located on the Columbia River about 12 miles downstream from Wenatchee, Wash., has been in operation since 1933. The plant is owned and operated by Chelan County Public Utility District No. 1.

This report on passage of fish at Rock Island Dam during 1964 provides information on operations of fishways and numbers of fish using them.

Rock Island Dam has three fishways: one located on the right bank, another on the left bank, and the third about the center of the dam. The bank fish ladders began operating in 1933, and the middle ladder in 1936. All three ladders have been modified since then.

Fish ascending Rock Island Dam ladders have been counted annually since 1933, the longest continuous record of Columbia River fish counts.

Included in this report are comments covering various fishery investigations at Rock Island Dam during 1964.

#### COUNTING PROCEDURES

Fish counting in 1964 began on May 1 and ended October 24. From May 1 through August 31, fish were counted 16 hours each

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day, starting at 5 a.m. and ending at 9 p.m. From September 1 through October 10, counting was reduced to 14 hours each day, starting at 6 a.m. and ending at 8 p.m. to conform with the available daylight. From October 11 to October 24, fish counting was reduced to one shift each day from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Fish counters were allowed a 15-minute rest period at the end of each hour. During all periods of noncounting, ladders were closed to fish.

A water glass was floated on the surface over each counting board to eliminate sunglare and water surface disturbances and thus permit clear observation of each fish.

#### ENUMERATION OF FISH

All species of fish using the fishways at Rock Island Dam are identified and recorded. Because of their greater importance, special mention is made of the different species of salmon and of the steelhead trout passing the dam, and each is discussed separately.

#### Chinook Salmon, Oncorhynchus tshawytscha

The 1964 chinook salmon count of 39,951 (jacks included) was more than twice the mean of 17,355 for the 31-year period 1933-63. It was also greater than the 1963 count and about 79 percent of the record count of 50,713 in 1957 (table 1). Monthly totals of chinook salmon given in table 2 show a peak movement of these

Table 1.--Annual counts and periods of counting of salmon and steelhead trout at Rock Island Dam,  $1933-64\frac{1}{2}$ 

Year	Chinook salmon	Sockeye salmon	Coho salmon	Steelhead trout	Total	Period of count
1933 1934 1935 1936 1937 1938 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1963 1964	5,668 7,115 16,305 7,290 5,133 5,795 11,206 9,512 2,507 6,833 11,129 3,364 5,699 9,981 11,717 7,083 12,353 10,348 18,752 20,121 31,080 33,283 25,658 25,085 50,713 32,457 23,352 26,550 33,067 34,154 34,688 39,951	40,737 2,227 14,013 16,500 15,089 17,095 19,591 27,093 963 16,340 17,522 5,035 7,148 45,030 79,831 84,184 18,600 50,134 101,826 114,349 151,747 91,234 155,055 92,443 71,261 98,695 72,351 60,341 19,233 29,253 64,768 69,411	182 69 11 0 58 78 13 28 15 186 166 32 229 40 72 8 27 40 44 39 27 60 118 94 50 737 20 61	1,055 583 5,418 2,373 2,214 2,399 5,425 5,220 3,513 3,693 2,315 1,338 1,118 1,779 1,971 2,360 2,470 1,852 3,121 2,883 4,001 5,406 3,141 1,540 3,927 3,970 4,138 6,226 7,042 7,591 7,078 5,016	47,642 9,994 35,747 26,163 22,494 25,367 36,235 41,827 7,011 26,867 30,981 9,923 14,131 56,822 93,748 93,656 33,463 62,406 123,707 137,380 186,868 129,967 183,893 119,097 125,928 135,182 99,959 93,211 59,392 71,735 106,554 114,439	7/21- 9/23 7/31-12/31 1/1 -11/15 5/5 - 9/29 5/11-10/16 4/12-10/29 5/1 -12/9 3/5 -12/10 4/1 -12/8 4/10-11/30 4/5 -11/30 4/12-11/17 1/4 -11/5 1/1 -11/16 1/1 -11/18 1/1 -11/18 1/1 -11/18 1/1 -12/31 1/1 -12/31 1/1 -12/31 1/1 -12/31 5/1 - 9/30 5/1 - 9/29 5/1 - 9/29 5/1 - 9/30 5/2 -10/27 5/1 -10/27 5/1 -10/27 5/1 -10/24

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{\mathsf{L}}\!/$  The above counts are now considered to be the official record of fish passing Rock Island Dam.

Table 2.--Monthly number of salmon and steelhead counted at Rock Island Dam, 1964

Species	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Total.
Chinook	6,687	2,108	7,314	6,885	2,051	413	25,458
Chinook (jacks)	461	477	1,861	5,130	5,576	988	14,493
Sockeye	5	73	54,848	13,452	919	114	69,411
Coho	0	0	0	0	26	35	61
Steelhead	599	1,1,	132	1,523	1,688	1,030	5,016
Total	7,752	2,702	64,155	26,990	10,260	2,580	114,439

fish in August. Maximum day's count of chinook salmon (jacks excluded) was 896 on May 5 (table 3), as compared to 430 on August 5, 1963. Tables 4 and 5 show semimonthly totals of the number and percentage of chinook salmon counted over each ladder. Of the chinook salmon (jacks excluded), 51 percent ascended the left ladder, while 28 and 21 percent ascended the middle and right ladders, respectively. In 1963, percentages of chinook salmon (jacks excluded) which used the left, middle, and right ladders were 73, 14, and 13, respectively.

Table 3.--Maximum daily counts, salmon and steelhead, Rock Island Dam, 1964

Species	Date	Number of fish
Chinook (except jacks)	May 5	896
Chinook (jacks)	Sept. 12	257
Sockeye	July 27	6,247
Coho	Oct. 9, 22	5
Steelhead	Sept. 17	129

#### Chinook Salmon Jacks

Some chinook salmon return from the ocean as mature fish in the year following their seaward migration and are referred to as "jacks." These fish are small and males predominate. At Rock Island Dam in 1964, all chinook salmon 24 inches or less were counted as jacks. Each counting board has a marked section, 24 inches long, for use of the counter in gaging the length of these small chinook salmon. The maximum daily count of 257 jacks occurred on September 12 (table 3), three days earlier than in 1963. The 14,493 fish recorded as jacks constituted about 36 percent of the total chinook run as compared to 56 percent in 1963.

Table 5 shows the number and percentage of chinook salmon jacks counted over each fish ladder. In 1964, 74, 14, and 12 percent of the jacks used the left, middle, and right ladders, respectively, as compared to 72, 11, and 17 percent in 1963. Monthly totals are given in table 2.

## Sockeye Salmon, Oncorhynchus nerka (Blueback or Red)

The sockeye salmon count of 69,411 was about 35 percent greater than the 31-year mean of

Table 4.--Semimonthly number and percent of chinook salmon counted over each fish ladder, Rock Island Dam, 1964

(Jacks not included)

I	ates	Left	ladder	Middle	ladder	Right	ladder	Total
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
May	1-15	555	13.3	1,542	37.0	2,068	49.7	4,165
	16-31	975	38.7	952	37.7	595	23.6	2,522
June	1-15	348	28.4	764	62.4	112	9.2	1,224
	16-30	257	29.1	532	60.2	95	10.7	884
July	1-15	1,252	48.8	874	34.1	440	17.1	2,566
	16-31	2,787	58.7	1,416	29.8	545	11.5	4,748
Aug.	1-15	4,276	77.6	502	9.1	73 <sup>4</sup>	13.3	5,512
	16-31	831	60.5	330	24.0	212	15.5	1,373
Sept.	1-15	525	85.4	50	8.1	40	6.5	615
	16-30	976	68.0	228	15.9	232	16.1	1,436
Oct.	1-15 16-24	213 44	62.1 62.9	1/ 2 0	.6	128 26	37.3 37.1	343 70
Tot	als	13,039	51.2	7,192	28.3	5,227	20.5	25,458

<sup>1/</sup> Middle ladder closed from Oct. 14-24 in order to make repairs.

Table 5.--Semimonthly number and percent of chinook salmon jacks counted over each fish ladder,
Rock Island Dam, 1964

Dates	Left l	adder	Middle	ladder	Right	ladder	Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
May 1-15	20	9.5	80	37•9	11.1	52.6	211
16-31	133	53.2	83	33•2	34	13.6	250
June 1-15	153	57.3	66	24.7	48	18.0	267
16-30	107	51.0	79	37.6	24	11.4	210
July 1-15	152	46.9	90	27.8	82	25.3	324
16-31	1,069	69.6	246	16.0	222	14.4	1,537
Aug. 1-15	2,014	81.1	193	7.8	277	11.1	2,484
16-31	1,932	73.0	436	16.5	278	10.5	2,646
Sept. 1-15	2,408	83.0	335	11.5	158	5.5	2,901
16-30	1,954	73.1	418	15.6	303	11.3	2,675
Oct. 1-15	615	80.9	<u>1</u> / <sub>28</sub>	3.7	117	15.4	760
16-24	198	86.8	0	0	30	13.2	228
Totals	10,755	74.2	2,054	14.2	1,684	11.6	14,493

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51,603 (table 1) and surpassed the 1963 run by about 4,600 fish. Peak of the run was reached on July 27, when 6,247 fish were counted through the fishways. Peak daily count in 1963 occurred on July 15 when 4,601 fish were recorded.

Table 6 shows semimonthly totals of the number and percentage of sockeye counted over each fish ladder. Of the sockeye salmon passing Rock Island Dam in 1964, 66 percent ascended the left ladder, while 15 and 19 percent ascended the middle and right ladders, respectively. Percentage distribution of sockeye through the left, middle, and right fishways in 1963 was 66, 20, and 14, respectively.

Data pertaining to sockeye salmon daily counts are in tables 9-14. Monthly totals of sockeye counted in 1964, table 2, show 79 percent of the total run passed through the fishways in July, as compared to about 90 percent during the same month in 1963.

### Coho Salmon, Oncorhynchus kisutch (Silver)

The 1964 coho salmon count of 61 was about 75 percent of the 31-year mean of 81, and slightly more than 8 percent of the peak year

of 737 in 1962 (table 1). The first coho was observed on September 11, 1964, as compared to September 2, 1963. Maximum day's count of 5 occurred on October 9 and 22. Of the coho salmon passing the dam in 1964, 80 percent used the left ladder, while 2 and 18 percent used the middle and right ladders, respectively (table 7). In 1963, percentages of coho were left, 40 percent; middle, 40 percent; and right, 20 percent. Additional data are shown in tables 2, 13, and 14.

#### Steelhead Trout, Salmo gairdneri

The 1964 steelhead trout count of 5,016 was 45 percent greater than the 31-year mean of 3,457 (table 1). In 1964, the greatest number of steelhead passed through the fishways in September when 1,688 were recorded (table 2). Peak monthly movement of these fish in 1963 also occurred in September when 2,634 were counted.

Of the steelhead passing Rock Island Dam in 1964, 76 percent used the left ladder, while 10 and 14 percent ascended the middle and right ladders, respectively (table 8). In 1963, percent utilization by ladder was: left, 76; middle, 8; and right, 16.

Table 6.--Semimonthly number and percent of sockeye salmon counted over each ladder, Rock Island
Dam, 1964

	Dates	Left 1	adder	Middle	ladder	Right	ladder	Total
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
May	1-15 16-31	0 2	0 40.0	o 3	0 60.0	0	0	0 5
June	1-15 16-30	9 26	50.0 47.3	6 18	33.3 32.7	3	16.7 20.0	18 55
July	1-15 16-31	1,399 33,520	57·9 63·9	435 8,268	18.0 15.8	583 10,643	24.1 20.3	2,417 52,431
Aug.	1-15 16-31	8,279 1,979	76.9 73.8	832 383	7.7 14.3	1,660 319	15.4 11.9	10,771 2,681
Sept.	1-15 16-30	413 224	71.6 65.5	71 36	12.3 10.5	93 82	16.1 24.0	577 342
Oct.	1-15 16-24	72 6	66.7 100.0	<u>1</u> / 6	5•5 0	30	27.8 0	108
Tot	als	45,929	66.2	10,058	14.5	13,424	19.3	69,411

<sup>1/</sup> Middle ladder closed from Oct. 14-24 in order to make repairs.

Table 7.--Semimonthly number and percent of coho salmon counted over each ladder, Rock Island Dam, 1964

Dates	Left:	Ladder	Middle	ladder	Right	ladder	Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
May 1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16-3	. 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
June 1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16-3		0	0	0	0	0	0
July 1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16-3		0	0	0	0	0	0
Aug. 1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16-3		0	0	0	0	0	0
Sept. 1-1	14	80.0	0	0	1	20.0	5 21.
16-3		81.0	0	0	1 4	19.0	21.
Oct. 1-1	16	72.8	1/1	4.5	5	22.7	22
16-2		92.3	0	0	5 1	7.7	13
Totals	49	80.3	1	1.7	11	18.0	61

<sup>1/</sup> Middle ladder closed from Oct. 14-24 in order to make repairs.

Table 8.--Semimonthly number and percent of steelhead trout counted over each ladder, Rock Island
Dam, 1964

Dates	Left l	adder	Middle	ladder	Right	ladder	Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
May 1-15	117	32.5	79	21.9	164	45.6	360
16-31	108	45.2	68	28.5	63	26.3	239
June 1-15	26	68.4	7	18.4	5	13.2	38
16-30	3	50.0	2	33.3	1	16.7	6
July 1-15 16-31	6 78	42.9 66.1	3 10	21.4	5 30	35.7 25.4	14 118
Aug. 1-15	487	80.6	41	6.8	76	12.6	604
16-31	730	79.4	90	9.8	99	10.8	919
Sept. 1-15	627	87.2	47	6.5	45	6.3	719
16-30	767	79.2	108	11.1	94	9.7	969
Oct. 1-15	633	80.7	<u>1</u> / 26	3.3	125	16.0	784
16-24	230	93.5		0	16	6.5	246
Totals	3,812	76.0	481	9.6	723	14.4	5,016

<sup>1/</sup> Middle ladder closed from Oct. 14-24 in order to make repairs.

Maximum day's count in 1964 was 129 on September 17 (table 3), as compared to 201 on September 15, 1963. Additional data pertaining to the movement of steelhead trout at Rock Island Dam are contained in tables 9-14.

#### Miscellaneous Fish

In 1964, species of fish passing Rock Island Dam other than salmon and steelhead trout were counted as in former years (tables 15-20). No claims are made as to complete accuracy of identification of these fish; however, the degree of accuracy is consistent with that maintained at other dams on the

Columbia River. Such data should only be used as a rough index of abundance of these fish.

In 1964, 118,284 fish other than salmon and steelhead trout passed Rock Island Dam. This number, as compared to 138,000 in 1963, exceeded the count of salmon and steelhead trout by about 4,000. The species included are largescale sucker, Catostomus macrocheilus; longnose sucker, Catostomus catostomus; squawfish, Ptychocheilus oregonense; Rocky Mountain whitefish, Prosopium williamsoni; Columbia River chub, Mylocheilus caurinus; carp, Cyprinus carpio; lamprey, Entosphenus tridentatus; Dolly Varden trout, Salvelinus malma; and rainbow trout, Salmo gairdneri.

Table 9. -- Daily air and water temperatures, stream flows, and fish counts, Rock Island Dam, May 1964

	Total	Number	73	747	82	417	965	000	270	582	729	327	335	333	314	281	165	236	453	171	317	239	275	250	139	182	70	99	103	206	137	57	121	
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	Coho	Number	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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Stream	flow	C.f.s.	46,1400	42,700	38,100	39,500	140,100	51,800	40,000	89,100	99, 700	109,400	112,400	129,300	129,800	150,500	154,500	156,200	156,200	162,500	186,200	208,300	232,200	240,100	241,100	232,100	230,600	246,100	249,000	254,100	260,800	274,700	279,400	imum thermometer.
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Water temperatures were taken with a thermograph located in the middle ladder.

1964 Table 10. -- Daily air and water temperatures, stream flows, and fish counts, Rock Island Dam, June

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Water temperatures were taken with a thermograph located in the middle ladder.

Table 11. -- Daily air and water temperatures, stream flows, and fish counts, Rock Island Dam, July 1964

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Date	Max	x. Min.	Max.	Min.	flow	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	head	Total
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Water temperatures were taken with a thermograph located in the middle ladder.

1964 Table 12. -- Daily air and water temperatures, stream flows, and fish counts, Rock Island Dam, August

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Table 13. -- Daily air and water temperatures, stream flows, and fish counts, Rock Island Dam, September 1964

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Water temperatures were taken with a thermograph located in the middle ladder. नि ल

Table 14. -- Daily air and water temperatures, stream flows, and fish counts, Rock Island Dam, October 1964

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Table 15. -- Miscellaneous fish counted, Rock Island Dam, May 1964

	Total	1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1	12,005
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	Dolly Varden	0000000000000000000000000000	г
	Lamprey	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0
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Industry of	Chub	000001111000000111000000000000000000000	669
	Whitefish	25 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	1,703
	Squawfish	32 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 175 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88	862
	Sucker	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	8,731
	Date	May 70 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Total

Table 16. -- Miscellaneous fish counted, Rock Island Dam, June 1964

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	Dolly Varden	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0
	Lamprey	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	30
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	Squawfish	80 84 79 84 88 87 68 9 4 6 6 1 8 2 5 1 6 1 6 1 8 2 5 1 6 1 6 1 6 1 6 1 6 1 6 1 6 1 6 1 6 1	1,379
	Sucker	1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 5, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5,	13,600
	Date	June 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Totals

Table 17. -- Miscellaneous fish counted, Rock Island Dam, July 1964

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Table 18. -- Miscellaneous fish counted, Rock Island Dam, August 1964

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Rainbow	004000000000000000000000000000000000000	11
Dolly Varden	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	5
Lamprey	~ 0 1 2 9 8 0 2 1 0 3 0 8 0 2 1 2 2 4 8 7 9 2 8 4 5 8 4 5 8 4 5 8 4 5 8 6 4 5 8	387
Carp	8998000155989550540501588666044	367
Chub	688 339 1754 15 4 6 6 7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	2,284
Whitefish	3888 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	199
Squawfish	4 11 1 2 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	5,219
Sucker	531 933 933 933 933 933 933 933 933 933 9	17,971
Date	4 8 8 8 8 9 8 9 8 6 8 7 6 7 5 7 8 9 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	Total

Table 19. -- Miscellaneous fish counted, Rock Island Dam, September 1964

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Lamprey	4 6 8 9 9 5 1 1 5 8 9 8 3 4 5 8 8 7 1 5 8 8 9 8 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	466
Carp	00001010101000011011000000000000000000	69
Chub	688672243833455555555555555555555555555555555	1,679
Whitefish	\$	1,323
Squawfish	200 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 130 1	3,306
Sucker	1,1 6,10,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000	11,448
Date	Sept. 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Total

Table 20. -- Miscellaneous fish counted, Rock Island Dam, October 1964

Total	153 153 153 153 153 153 153 153 153 153	3,962
Rainbow	001001100100010000000000000000000000000	12
Dolly Varden	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	ᅼ
Lamprey	~ n u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u u	89
Carp	40000404000004004	18
Chub	1 n n 4 0 8 n 8 n n 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 m 0	111
Whitefish	66 102 124 123 103 103 103 103 104 134	2,322
Squawfish	\$20000	351
Sucker	48874884888888888888888888888888888888	1,079
Date	0ct. 2000 844 244 245 844 844 844 844 844 844 844 844 844 8	Total

#### WEATHER AND RIVER DISCHARGE DATA

Headwater and tailwater elevations are plotted on figures 1 and 2. Air temperatures were taken twice daily by maximum and minimum thermometer. A continuous record of water temperatures was taken by thermograph at the middle fish ladder. Daily records of weather conditions and stream flows are shown in tables 9-14.

Average daily river discharge data are plotted on figure 3. Maximum daily discharge of 451,900 c.f.s. on June 17 exceeded the 1963 record high discharge of 308,400 c.f.s. which also occurred on June 17.

Maximum water temperature of 64° F. occurred August 18, 22, and 23. In 1963, maximum water temperature of 65° F. occurred August 6-10, 13, 16, and September 6-12.

#### ACTIVITIES AND OBSERVATIONS

The waterflow was reduced in the right fish ladder on April 28, 1964, from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. to clear the submerged orifices and remove accumulated debris. The flow of water was again reduced in this ladder on August 31 from 1:00 to 2:10 p.m. to repair broken chains on an adjustable weir. The left ladder was closed to fish migration on

October 15 to permit repairs to the auxiliary water trash rack and to the diffusion box grating. The middle ladder was inoperative from October 15-24 in order to make repairs.

As part of an evaluation study of effects of Wanapum Dam reservoir encroachment on the ladders at Rock Island Dam, a program of trapping and tagging was conducted by the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries. Chinook were taken in a floating trap at exit of the left ladder, and sockeye were taken by a trap at the counting station inside the left ladder. All fish taken were tagged with numbered Petersen disks and released about 1,000 feet below the dam in equal amounts on each bank of the river. Trapping and tagging was conducted May 19-28 for chinook and July 15 to August 5 for sockeye. A total of 103 chinook and 955 sockeye were tagged and released. Numbers of tagged fish returning through the ladders were: chinook, 92; sockeye, 898.

Two chinook salmon tagged by the Fish Commission of Oregon on the lower Columbia in early spring were observed passing over Rock Island Dam in May.

On several occasions during the counting season, spillway gate operations were changed to improve ladder approach conditions.

During early spring of 1964 and prior to the counting season, modifications were made to the middle ladder auxiliary water supply structure.

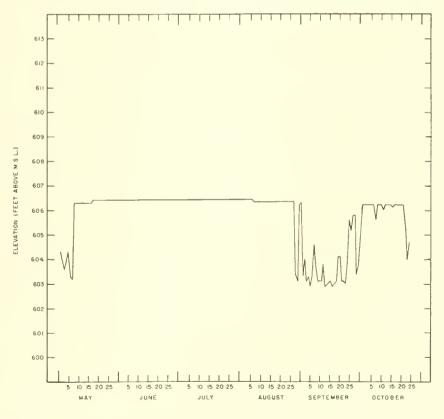


Figure 1.--Headwater elevations, Rock Island Dam, May 1 to October 24, 1964.

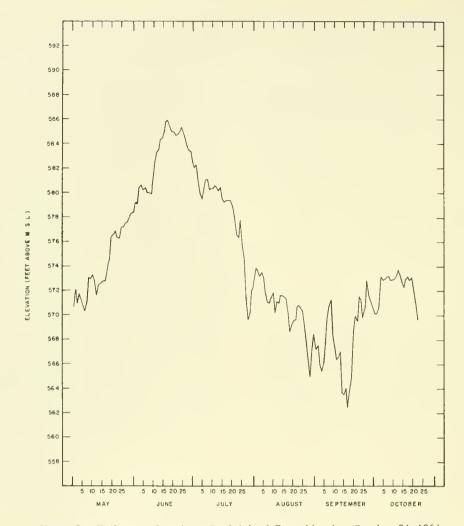


Figure 2,--Tailwater elevations, Rock Island Dam, May 1 to October 24, 1964.

During 1964, fish were observed with cuts or abrasions on their heads and bodies. Of the 114,439 salmon and steelhead observed as they passed over the counting boards,

2,225 fish, about 2 percent, had injuries (table 21). This same percentage of injuries was noted in 1963. Since in both years the counters could see only the top and one

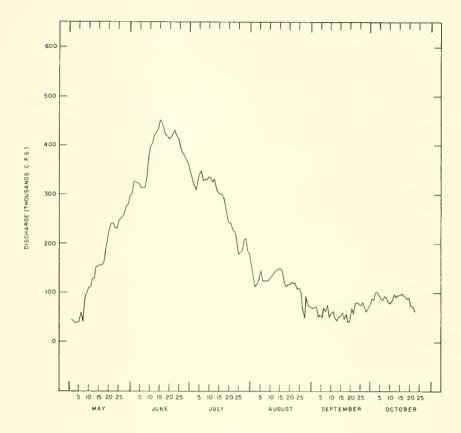


Figure 3, -- Daily river discharge, Rock Island Dam, May 1 to October 24, 1964.

side of each fish, the incidence of injury might have been greater than observed. Of the total number of injured fish observed in 1964, about 56, 23, and 21 percent were recorded in the left, middle, and right ladders, respectively. In 1963, these percentages were 64, 19, and 17. As in previous years, the greatest number of injuries was observed on the large chinook and sockeye salmon. In the 2-week period July 16-31, 52,431 sockeye

were counted through the fishways and injuries noted on about 2 percent of them. In 1963, during the same period, about 4 percent of the sockeye salmon observed had injuries.

Throughout the counting season, State and Federal fisheries personnel made frequent inspections of fishway operations at Rock Island Dam. Inspections were similar to those conducted at other main stem dams where fishways were being operated.

Table 21.--Injured fish observed at Rock Island Dam,
May 1 to October 24, 1964

			Total		Injured fis	h observe	d
			fish	Left	Middle	Right	
Date		Species	counted	ladder	ladder	ladder	Total
	L-15	Chinook Chinook jacks Steelhead	4,165 211 360	5 0 0	900	8 0 0	22 0 0
Ť	5-31	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Steelhead	2,522 250 5 239	10 0 0 0	10 0 0 0	11 0 0 0	31 0 0 0
	L <b>-</b> 15	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Steelhead	1,224 267 18 38	4 0 0 0	6 0 0	0 0 0	10 0 0 0
	5-30	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Steelhead	884 210 55 6	3 0 0	12 0 0 0	2 0 0 0	17 0 0 0
July 1	L-15	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Steelhead	2,566 324 2,417 14	20 0 22 0	21. 0 2 0	7 0 1 0	48 0 25 0
July 16	5-31	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Steelhead	4,748 1,537 52,431 118	61 0 583 0	67 0 280 0	12 0 281 0	140 0 1,144 0
Aug. 1	1-15	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Steelhead	5,512 2,484 10,771 604	123 1 247 0	28 0 44 0	24 1 102 0	175 2 393 0
Aug. 16	6-31	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Steelhead	1,373 2,646 2,681 919	31 3 74 2	16 0 21 0	14 O 14 O	51 3 99 2
Sept. 1	1-15	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Coho Steelhead	615 2,901 577 5 719	15 1 12 0 2	0 0 0 0	1 0 0 0	16 1 12 0 2
Sept. 16	5-30	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Coho Steelhead	1,436 2,675 342 21 969	536 0 1	2 0 0 0	12200	2 8 5 8 0 1
	1-15	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Coho Steelhead	343 760 108 22 784	14 0 2 0 1	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	4 0 2 0 1 2 0
Oct. 10	6-24	Chinook Chinook jacks Sockeye Coho Steelhead	70 228 6 13 246	1 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	1 0 0 0	2 0 0 0 1
Totals			114,439	1,243	518	464	2,225

#### SUMMARY

- 1. The total Rock Island Dam count of salmon and steelhead in 1964 was 114,439, about 7,900 more than in 1963.
- 2. The chinook salmon count of 39,951 (jacks included) was 5,263 more than in 1963, more than two-thirds the peak year of 1957, and exceeded the 31-year average by about 22,600 fish. In 1964, 14,493 jacks were recorded, representing about 36 percent of that year's total chinook salmon counted. In 1963, jacks represented about 56 percent of the chinook run.
- 3. The sockeye count of 69,411 in 1964 exceeded the 1963 count by 4,643 fish and was 17,808 more than the 31-year mean of 51,603.
- 4. The coho salmon count of 61 in 1964 was about 75 percent of the 31-year mean of 81 fish and slightly more than 8 percent of the peak year 1962 when 737 were counted.
- 5. The steelhead count of 5,016 in 1964 was 2,062 less than the 1963 count and 1,559 more than the 31-year mean of 3,457.
- 6. In 1964, as in previous years, a greater percentage of salmon and steelhead used the

- left bank fish ladder than either of the other ladders.
- 7. Counting began May 1 and terminated October 24. From May 1 through August 31, counting was conducted 16 hours each day; from September 1 through October 10, counting was reduced to 14 hours each day, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., to conform to hours of daylight available. From October 11 to 24, counting was reduced to one shift per day, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- 8. In 1964, maximum number of salmonids counted in one day (6,866) occurred on July 27.
- 9. Season's total fish other than salmon and steelhead trout passing Rock Island Dam in 1964 was 118,284, composed of the following: sucker, 84,729; squawfish, 16,854; white fish, 6,515; chub, 7,868; carp, 621; lamprey, 1,611; Dolly Varden and rainbow trout, 86.
- 10. Of the 114,439 salmon and steelhead examined, on the top and one side only as they passed over the counting boards, as in 1963 about 2 percent had injuries of some type either on the body or about the head. Most injuries were observed in July and August. Large chinook and sockeye salmon suffered a higher rate of injury than small chinook, steelhead, and coho.

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